

since he can execute no contract with any higher bid

ment, the good service. It is in the present mind of the Government has so far evinced a commendable consideration for the interests of the Colonization, and I am confident that the rights of the public will be well protected by him in this matter; but yet we cannot shut our eyes to the palpable restrictions of the Charter and the ordinances, which preclude the making of a contract with any but the lowest bidder with satisfaction, and the Colonization, by the Commission-

...COUNCIL. In this case it requires a stretch of probabilities to reach that order would be found wanting until it reached the highest, which amounts to \$12,766, thus, work intrinsically worth about \$50,000, will have cost the city over \$67,000. Therefore, inasmuch as this resolution involves a violation of its charter, and fails to provide for the repayment to the city of \$12,000 out of the sum appraised for the old work, I cannot

FERNANDO WOOD, Mayor.  
 MAYOR'S OFFICE. New York, May 3, 1896.  
 TO THE HON. THE BOARD OF COUNCILMEN:  
 GENTLEMEN—I REGRET without approval the resolution to  
 open Seventy-fourth street from the Eighth avenue to Broad  
 way, that improvement not having been called for by the peo-  
 ple, interested, or by public necessities. Although in favor of

the speedy closing of all the streets and avenues on the island, so far as practicable. I would observe a jurisdiction, and in no case put the city to the expense of litigation when a majority in interest are opposed and ready to consent, as in the present case. **FERNANDO WOOD, Mayor.**

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**Police Intelligence.**

Yesterday afternoon, about 2 1/2 o'clock, the neighborhood of Spruce street was thrown into a great state of excitement in consequence of a cowhiding affair, which took place in the office of the *Sunday Courier*, in which the proprietors of the same, received a

ever, in which the proprietor of the paper received a severe beating at the hands of a returned Nicaraguan, named William Lyster. It appears as far as we could ascertain, that Lyster, who was formerly an actor at the Broadway theatre, took offence at some paragraph concerning him, which appeared in the *Courier* of last Sunday; and deeming the attack entirely unjustifiable, he

proceeded, in company with a friend of his, named Charles Walters, to the office of the *Sunday Courier*, where an *encute* took place between Mr. Smith and the returned Niagara gun. The noise occasioned by the contest brought the printers and workmen employed in the building to the editorial rooms, when the belligerents were separated and peace was restored in the sanctum of the editor.

Lyster and his friend Walters left the premises in high spirits, and the latter, by way of celebrating the signal victory obtained, fired a pistol off in the street as soon as he emerged from the building in which the exciting scene took place. No complaint was made against Lyster up to a late hour last evening.

**A NEW DODGE UPON THE UNWARY.**—Yesterday morning, two domestics applied at the office of Mr. Semler, of the

Migration Department, for redress in a case where, they alleged, some rascal had swindled them out of \$65. The complainant stated that, in answer to an advertisement in one of the morning papers, stating that some democrats were wanted for California, and that their passage would be paid to San Francisco, they applied to this unknown man, who at once engaged them, but said they

must pay a portion of their passage money to him before they took their departure. The green ones consented to the arrangement, and yesterday got into a carriage along with the agent, for the purpose of being taken to the steamship about to sail for the Isthmus. On their way to the wharf, the accused got out at the Astor House, and avowing that he had forgotten to pay his board-bill,

regged the innocent girls to lend him the advance passage money until he got on board the steamer. The dupes gave him \$65, with which he eloped round the corner of Barclay street. Up to the present time he has not made his appearance, and will not, in all probability, think of returning the poor woman's money until reminded of his promise not to do so.

**ALLIGED THIEF OF HX GOODS.—**Theophile Marx and Marsh Kone were arrested yesterday, by officer Welch, of the Chief's office, on a charge of stealing twenty-eight embroidered collars, valued at \$87, from the store of John Pullman, of 56 Liberty street. The property was

Rowdyism.—About 1½ o'clock yesterday morning, a man, named John Cain, was found lying on the side-

**CHANGE OF GRAND LARCENY.**—Abraham Rittenband was

brought before Justice Flancroau, at the Second District Police Court, on charge of stealing a bracelet, valued at \$10, from Mrs. Ellen Jaques, of the New York Hotel. The prisoner said he found the article at the Opera House, and sold it the day following to a friend of his, who deserted for Europe since the occurrence. The prisoner was detained for examination.

**Williamsburg City / Intelligence.**  
**PRICE FIGHT PREVENTED.**—On Sunday afternoon, about 50 men, residing in the vicinity of the Dry Dock, congregated at Hunter's Point, for the purpose of witness-

ing a prize fight between two pugilists. They were discovered by Assistant Capt. Bruce, of the Seventeenth ward, (Greenpoint,) who se at to the station house for assistance. The pugilists f likely to be broken up, pr about two miles, in row b sats, and were preparing fo the fight when they were

Opening the Canals.  
[From the Albany Argus, May 5.]

To-day is the time fixed by the Canal Commissioners of the State for navigation. So far as we learn, the order will be complied with, except in the Erie Canal, where a delay of one week will occur. Commissioner Whallon has issued the following notice:—

At a meeting of the Canal Commissioners, held at Rome

On the 23d ultimo, a majority of said Commissioners, contrary to what the Council of the State, and the Councils of this State had resolved on the 6th day of May last, and notwithstanding the protest of the undersigned, by which it was declared that the canal should be opened for navigation on that early a day as the weather may be deemed practicable, considered it their duty to open the same on the 27th inst.

ing the present state of the navigation and for the purpose of the execution of the same, the Government of the United States will make the necessary arrangements in accordance with the provisions of the New York Convention of 1843, and will not be ready for the opening of the navigation until the 12th day of May next.

It is said they will be available to the public in the near future. During the following years the

846	April 16 1892	April 20
847	May 1 1893	April 20

848	May 1	1854	May 1
849	May 1	1846	May 1
850	April 22	1856	May 1
851	April 15		5

The water has been let into the Chemung canal.

**Personal Intelligence.**  
The Philadelphia *Pennsylvanian*, of the 5th inst., says:—  
—It gives us great pleasure to announce that Senator Wm. Bigler, who has been severely indisposed for a week past, is now in a fair way of recovery.

**Germans.** Robert C. Wickliffe, of Louisiana, left St. Louis for his home on the 1st inst.

ARRIVALS.

At the 7 Everett House—Mr M Lean, Penn; D Bigelow, Boston; S E J Horse, do; M J T Florida, do; Ramon H. Rivoce, Caracas; Radu el Ferrera Ferrera, do; James Chambers, Philadelphia; G A Wallace, do; Mr and Mrs Ehring, 2 children and maid, G A Parker, Philadelphia; Mr and Mrs Riggs, child and servant, Maryland.

From New Orleans and Havana in the steamship Black  
 - Peter Heise, Capt. Thos Penle, J. Ruot, J. Keadway,  
 and M. A. Dyer, H. Wood, wife and child; Jno. A. Paul,  
 S. J. Cadden, Esq. Jno. Albus, E. Keskeli, F. Mason, A. L.  
 and friend, B. G. Denison, Dr. Remayne, Capt. W.  
 - two Miss Swans, Miss Elliott, Miss Seabins, Mrs. Black,  
 child and nurse; B. Peck, M. Gullett, wife and two children;  
 Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Morrison, four children and several

M. Miller, child of servant; Mrs. Casquet and three daughters, Mrs. Bonnar, Mrs. A. G. Penn, Dr. Perry, Miss White, Miss Steves, F. Valena, F. F. Costa and wife, A. D. Tate, A. H. Kent, W. Converse, L. A. Bondin, Esq., Wm. Purvis and wife, Miss Armstrong, Capt. Sanders, Miss G. Brooks, Gen. van Buren and two daughters, Mrs. Esterbrook, H. Babson, Capt. W. Leong and servant, Capt. Chandler, C. Osterlo, W. Ostrin, M. & T. Brancourt, R. C. Sanchez, J. Navarro, E. G. Smith, etc.

John Owen and son, Joe Nelson, Jr., A. Armut, F. Kembo, J. Olivera, J. Santolucito, S. Berry, J. Estrada and daughter, F. Lunda, wife and three children; H. H. Ostler, S. Casmino, M. Garcia, wife, L. G. Madison, Horacio Allen, Max, B. Pirouze, J. Carter, Miss Louise Churchill, Miss Harriet Churchill, J. Gorrie, J. Calos, Mrs. Powers, S. Molinas, Thos. Kerr, L. Azola and sister, G. Gabellos and son, B. Villa, Capt. Warren and wife, M. Correa, and wife, E. A. de la Riva.

Garrate, J. Isaac, A. G. Del Vado, F. Lopez, W. Kitchin, W. Barnes, C. Ferriss, P. B. Fry, A. D. Tupler, J. W. Walcott, child and nurses.

From Charleston, in the steamship Nassauville—Mrs. Babcock, Miss F. Stockton, Miss J. B. Weid, C. A. Abel, lady and daughter, C. A. Adams, F. L. Carpenter, R. Geddes, C. O. Thayer, Miss Walton, Mrs. Patterson, W. S. Dodge, W. Malo, A. Girard, E. L. Young, R. L. Johnson, W. S. ...

Id Baily, D Meyer, Foston, Mille Ducey Barre, Mrs Mathur-  
son and daughter, W C Hopkiss and lady, A Dansey, B B Bur-  
ton, J Myhrens, C H Canfield, W Sturtevant, Mrs McDonald,  
children and nurse, Miss H Wood, S D Dour, Capt Agry,  
Kazer, W Laiting, G Kneeland and servant J H Burton, E L  
Randerson and lady, Miss C H Burton, Miss Donald, Miss A  
Spencer, Miss L Townsend, J J Crandall, child and servant.

Wesley, lady and 3 children, Misses R and D Winderman, Mr Rolliang, lady and 3 children, R Kelton, J Kelton, and 6 in the steamer.

From Norfolk, Va, in steamer Roanoke—John C Dunn, J B Gray, T Robertson, J J McDunnell, J D Abbott, F Montgomery, J W Waters, F Delaney, Andrew Kinney, John L Brown, A C Studley, M G Carter, A W Collamore, A

Waters, D. S. Jones, C. A. F. Ferry, H. W. Wiley, Mrs. R. Wal-  
 ters and children, John O. Burton, Henry S. Reed, S. S. Jenkins,  
 J. J. Wiley, Wm. F. Leigh, J. C. Collier, E. R. Lord, A. A. Wiley,  
 A. B. McDonald, Wm. C. Scott, Geo. P. Buell, Daniel Grant, A. T.  
 Barick, E. J. Barlow, T. C. Finn, Robt. W. Hughes, W. C. Wagoner,  
 R. D. Dwyer, L. Ludwig, A. L. Smith, Saml. B. Ripley, D. Wyn-  
 capaw, A. C. Foster and lady, John H. Eyer, John Fryler and  
 lady, B. W. Waite, lady and child, K. P. Jolley and lady, Mrs. G.

**DEPARTURES.**  
For Melbourne, Australia, in the ship Sportsman—Mr and Mrs Haueker, Jas Turner, Wm Tracy, Miss Donovan, Mrs Robertson, John Watson wife and child, Mrs Haueker, Walter Douglas and wife, P O'Rourke, John Blair, Michael Barclay, F Grohse, Henry Tigler, Job's Breukman, & Marward. Thos

Ryan, Wm Miller, F Meda, Amos McFad, Chas Michaelau, Mar-  
John Hines Chas Leo, T Oa Daley, John Finnel, W Cowan,  
John Robertson, Wm E Elliot, H Liedemann, H Lannery, Wm  
Thompson, John Norr en, A Lannen, John Coanngton.